

Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1-35 (Canceled).

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Claim 36 (Currently Amended): A transplantable composition for use in humans comprising isolated cells or isolated tissue of a type normally bearing an HLA class I surface antigen that causes an immune response against the cell or tissue in a human recipient, wherein the antigen is ~~modified, masked, or has been partially or wholly eliminated~~ to decrease said immune response, such that upon introduction of the composition into a human, lysis of said cell or tissue is prevented; wherein

- (a) said class I antigen is masked by contacting said cell or tissue with ~~a masking agent an antibody lacking the Fc portion, which does not fix complement and, which is capable of forming a complex with said class I antigen on said cell or tissue;~~
- (b) ~~said class I antigen on said cell or tissue is modified by capping; or~~
- (c) ~~said class I antigen on said cell or tissue is partially or wholly eliminated by inhibiting expression of said antigen on said cell or tissue.~~

Claims 37-40 (Canceled).

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Claim 41 (Currently amended): The composition of claim 36, wherein the antigen is ~~masked with at least two masking agents antibody lacking the Fc portion is a F(ab')₂ fragment of an antibody.~~

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Claim 42 (Currently amended): The composition of claim 41 36, wherein the at least two masking agents are antibody lacking the Fc portion is obtained from polyclonal antisera raised against the antigen.

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Claim ~~43~~ (Currently amended): The composition of claim 36, wherein the cell or tissue has at least two different antigens which are masked with at least two different masking agents antibodies lacking the Fc portion.

Claims 44-56 (Canceled).

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Claim ~~57~~ (Previously presented): The composition of claim 36, which comprises a neuronal cell.

Claims 58-91 (Canceled).

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Claim ~~92~~ (Previously presented): The composition of claim 36, wherein the cell is a non-lymphocytic cell.

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Claim ~~93~~ (Previously presented): The composition of claim 36, wherein the tissue comprises non-lymphocytic cells.

Claims 94-97 (Canceled).